

C H A P.
XI.

said commissioners, or any three of them, agreeable to this act, be deemed, taken, and established, to all intents and purposes, as a public road.

Damage to be
ascertained, &c.

III. BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or any three of them, ascertain the damages which the proprietors of the lands through which the said road shall pass may respectively sustain thereby; and that the valuation made by the said commissioners, or any three of them, be paid by the said William Matthews to the person or persons thus injured, as a full recompence therefor.

Proceedings to
be reported,
&c.

IV. BE IT ENACTED; That the commissioners aforesaid, or any three of them, make a report in writing, signed by them, of their proceedings under this act, to Baltimore county court, at their next sitting after the said road is laid out; and that the same be filed by the clerk of said court, and recorded among the records thereof.

C H A P. XII.

Passed 26th of
Dec. 1783.

An ACT to lay out and establish a public road in Baltimore county.

Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 339.

Preamble.

WHEREAS sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, by their humble petition to this general assembly, have set forth, that many of the inhabitants of said county labour under great inconvenience and disadvantage, for want of a direct road from the highway between Samuel Worthington's and Benjamin Nicholson's, by the mill of Thomas Matthews, until it intersects the main road leading to Baltimore town, near Thomas Hooker's; that the same will be of considerable public advantage; that they are willing to make a reasonable compensation to the proprietors of the lands through which the said road may pass; and that the distance will be greatly lessened if the said road is established; praying that a law may pass for that purpose; and it appearing to this general assembly, that the said facts are true, and that the establishing the said road will be of general utility to the inhabitants of the county aforesaid,

Commissioners
appointed, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Andrew Buchanan, Edward Cockey, Nathan Cromwell and John Murray, Esquires, be and are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of laying out a road leading from the highway between Samuel Worthington's and Benjamin Nicholson's, and running by the mill of Thomas Matthews until it intersects the main road going to Baltimore town at or near Thomas Hooker's; and that they, or any three of them, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to open and lay out the said road, agreeable to the prayer of the said recited petition, and in the manner therein described, and that the said road be twenty feet wide, and when opened and laid out by the said commissioners, or any three of them, agreeable to this act, be deemed, taken and established, to all intents and purposes, as a public road.

To ascertain
damages, &c.

III. BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners, or any three of them, ascertain the damages which the proprietors of the lands through which the said road shall pass may respectively sustain thereby; and that the valuation made by the said commissioners, or any three of them, be paid by the said Thomas Matthews to the person or persons thus injured, as a full recompence therefor,

To report, &c.

IV. BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners aforesaid, or any three of them, make a report in writing, signed by them, of their proceedings under this act, to Baltimore county court, at their next sitting after the said road is laid out; and that the same be filed by the clerk of said court, and recorded among the records thereof.

C H A P. XIII.

An ACT to empower the vestry of Somerset parish, in Somerset county, to sell and dispose of a part of the negroes belonging to said parish, for the purposes therein mentioned. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 340.

C H A P. XIV.

An ACT to open and establish a public road in Dorchester county.

Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 341.

Preamble.

WHEREAS Michael Hall Bonwill, of Dorchester county, by his petition to the general assembly did set forth, that he is seized of an estate in fee-simple in a large body of land about six miles from the town of Vienna, on which is erected a very valuable grist mill, which he apprehends will be much more useful to the public, if he is enabled to open a road for carts and other carriages